## GUIDELINES FOR REMOVING STORM-DAMAGED TIMBER FROM SCENIC EASEMENT PROPERTY WITHIN THE ST. CROIX NATIONAL SCENIC RIVERWAY (Emergency Rule adopted July 2011)

- I. Within the boundaries of any Scenic Easement property, it shall be permitted to remove storm-damaged or downed trees or parts thereof from the premises, provided that:
  - a. Said trees or tree parts are <u>in a mowed/maintained area</u> in proximity to a residence (home or cabin), or:
  - b. Lying across or leaning towards any structure or driveway located within the Scenic Easement.
- II. All other storm-damaged or downed timber within the 100-foot wide *Riparian Management Zone* portion of the Scenic Easement property shall be left in place as is (see the Wisconsin DNR's Best Management Practices manual in reference to Riparian Management Zones).
- III. It is the responsibility of the Landowner whose property is encumbered with a National Park Service scenic easement to contact the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway's Lands Specialist Laura Hojem (715-483-2261) with any site-specific questions in regard to these Guidelines, prior to commencement of site clean-up activity; a site visit by a National Park Service Official is necessary, to make a determination and give approval.
- IV. It is the responsibility of the Landowner to secure any and all necessary permits from local and state units of government prior to beginning any salvage operation once approval from NPS has been granted.